

Charles R. Douglass.

NOVEL TIN CAN CLUBS.

Their Mission Is to Supply the Demand for New Forests.

B. H. Green of Monterey, Cal. has sent out a circular giving information regarding the Tin Can clubs through whose beneficent activities he expects to see the country supplied with needed forests.

The attempts to cultivate tree claims in the Dakotas many years ago were rather discouraging, says the National Magazine, but Mr. Green insists that he has been successful in planting tree seeds, nuts and cuttings in refuse tin cans, and can now show an oak tree twenty feet high only eight years old and also a redwood tree grown from seed, which is now fully thirty feet high and only twelve years of age.

Mr. Green insists that a tomato can with a fair sized hole punched in the bottom and filled with good earth is just the thing needed to start a tree in and that if the earth is never allowed to become dry the growth of the tree will be amazing. Later the little trees are transplanted without removing from the cans, for the rust eats away the can sufficiently to allow the roots to free themselves as they need more room.

Nebraska Sod House.

There are few surviving examples of the primitive style of architecture once in fashion on the plains. Within a radius of many miles of Central City, Neb., only one sod house that is inhabited, can be found. It is the residence of Oscar Nelson and is situated south of Polk in Hamilton County. For thirty years it has sheltered Mr. Nelson and his wife, and within its walls three children were born and raised. It has weathered some very severe storms and proved so staunchly built that surprisingly few repairs have been needed. Nebraska soil has proved reliable in many ways. But few other instances can be cited of it standing the test for thirty years when forming the walls of a sod house.

Reed Laths in Germany.

Consul H. W. Harris of Nuremberg, writes that the use of small reeds as a substitute for plastering laths is common in Germany. The reeds are chiefly imported from Hungary by Danube boats, and vary in length from 1 to 2 1/2 yards or even more, and from 3/4 inch to 1 1/4 inches in diameter. By machinery these reeds are fastened together by wires to form a mat as wide as the reeds are long, and this is cut and fastened to walls in place of laths. In some cases builders require the matting to be put on double, the aim being to have the reeds in the upper mat fall at the intersections in the lower mat.

The Spanish Onion in Song.

How many people would guess the meaning of a "Spanish onion song?" This strange phrase—one of the many to be found in the professional's dictionary of slang—is used to denote the music hall ballad, and owes its origin to the fact that no self-respecting member of its race would be without a pathetic reference to "dear old mother" or "somebody's sweetheart far away." Now, pathos draws tears, and so do onions. The rest is obvious.

Politely Garbled.

Sir Algernon West in his recently published reminiscences, tells this story of Robert Browning: "When he had become famous some one wanted very much to meet him. A kind friend arranged a meeting, and the guest besieged Browning with questions and conversation during the dinner, and even after dinner he continued button-holing his victim. 'Come,' said the poet, 'this will never do; they will say I'm monopolizing you.'"

Trials of a Chaperon.

Miss Mayme (on vacation)—"O, auntie, it's such a luxury to have nothing to do but just loiter in a hammock with my precious Shelley or even the 'Vicar of Wakefield!'"

Elderly Relative—"Child if I hear of any more such scandalous doings I shall write to your mother!"

Gorilla and Man.

The gorilla is in statue about the same as man, but is far behind him when it comes to the contents of the brain-pan. The greatest capacity of the gorilla's brain is only 34 1/2 cubic inches, the least 23, as against 62 in the least capacious human skull and 114 in the greatest.

Cat Photographers.

A young woman looking for rugs told a New York salesman that she wanted a shade to match her cat. Speaking of cats, there are photographers in the city who make a specialty of posing cats for pictures. A studio in New York has specified hours for posing.

Medical Air Locks.

Tunnels in course of construction are now provided with medical air locks, where workmen afflicted with "bends" can be treated under pressure.

A Natural Hat's Lining.

Little Margie's father had a bald spot. While kissing him at bedtime one evening she said: "Stoop down, papa; I want to kiss you on the head where the lining shows."

A HOSPITAL ON WHEELS.

Intended Primarily for the Benefit of Injured Coal Miners.

A hospital car fully equipped and in charge of a doctor and his assistant has been built for the Lackawanna Coal Company.

The hospital car of the Lackawanna is the only one in the anthracite regions, but it is not likely to remain long an exception, as the other railroad companies who own mines will probably follow suit. A hospital car for the coal mines is a necessity, says the Engineering and Mining Journal. Many of the mines are long distances from a hospital, while they are all situated on, or near, railway tracks, where a hospital car can be conveyed without delay or inconvenience.

Under the new conditions the patient can be treated in the hospital car, regardless of the nature of the accident. Should it be necessary as it often is, that amputation should be performed, the car carries all the equipment that its surgeon may need in such an emergency.

This is the first time the car has been used since it left the builders' hands, some few months ago. It has not, however, been idle during all that time. It has gone the rounds of the Lackawanna mines, visiting each colliery, where Dr. Lake has given personal instructions to many miners and mine attendants on first aid to the injured. Miners are intrepid in rescue work, but it is all important that some one about the mines should be able to give first aid to some poor fellow "badly smashed," as they say, before the ambulance doctor arrives upon the scene.

Not for Lo.

The Indian bureau will not hire barbers to minister to the red man's wants.

The red man can use a safety razor and let his squaw shear his dusky locks. When a red man looks too long on the firewater a safety razor is a much better weapon for him to handle than the ordinary picnic disturber.

The red man can have umbrellas and plug hats and spats and invisible suspenders, but no gilded and striped pole will decorate the front of his lone wigwam.

The Wrong One.

A young man had been calling now and then on a young lady, when one night, as he sat in the parlor, waiting for her to come down, her mother entered the room instead, and asked him in a very grave, stern way, what his intentions were.

He turned very red, and was about to stammer some incoherent reply, when suddenly the young lady called down from the head of the stairs: "Mamma, mamma, that is not the one!"

Why Journalism is Popular.

Journalism is very popular with Smith College girls, as two years ago, two graduates of the college applied for positions on a Boston newspaper and were immediately accepted. This year there are two vacancies, the young ladies having married members of the newspaper staff. The editor now has made application for two of this year's graduates and will have no trouble in getting them.

Poignant Wit.

Sir Richard Bethell, afterward Lord Westbury, with a suave voice and a stately manner, nevertheless had a way of bearing down the foe with almost a savage wit. Once, in court, he had to follow a barrister who had delivered his remarks in very loud tones. "Now," that the noise in court has subdued," murmured Bethell, "I will tell your Honor in two sentences the gist of the case."

A Thought for the Week.

Blessed is the man who has the gift of making friends, for it is one of God's best gifts. It involves many things, but above all the power of going out of one's self and seeing and appreciating what is noble and loving in another man.—Thomas Hughes.

Plenty of Time.

"Give me a little time," said the literary young man, according to Speed, "and I will do something to arouse the country." Three months later he had his chance. He was peddling alarm clocks in a farming community.—Youth's Companion.

Columbus.

Historians have not satisfactorily determined when Columbus was born. Some give the year of his birth as 1436, others as 1447. If the latter year be accepted he was forty-five when he made his discovery. If the former, he was fifty-six.

Circumstantial Evidence.

Recent excavations at Pompeii have uncovered the remains of a man with both hands resting on his stomach. This would seem to indicate that the early cucumber was not unknown to the ancients.

Seeing Things Squarely.

So live that you may look every man squarely in the face. You will see many hideous things, but if there be one or two fair you will be wholly requited.—Lincoln (Neb.) Journal.

AS TO MOSQUITOES.

One Authority Advises Feeding Them to the Millions.

Some interesting experiments (writes an English correspondent) are being conducted in several of the British Colonial possessions in the West Indies, for the purpose of ascertaining how far the immunity enjoyed by Barbados from the visitations of the malarial mosquito is due to the presence in the local waters of a tiny fish known as "millions." As far back as 1888, specimens of the Trinidad variety of this little fish were determined by the authorities at South Kensington, its habits being similar in every respect to the Barbados species. Its voracity is out of all proportion to its size, and as its food consists to a large extent of the larvae of the mosquito, it cannot be doubted that its operations constitute a very potent factor in rendering the area in which it lives free from malarial fever. Places which have long been known to be the recognized breeding haunts of mosquitoes have become quite harmless after the introduction of these fish. It is believed that a far more effectual method of eradicating the mosquito is to be found in inducing them to lay their eggs in a receptacle to which the "millions" have been previously introduced, than to rely solely on kerosene or petroleum, although the last-named would seem to be peculiarly suitable for dealing with the stagnant water which collects in the gutters of large buildings and which is a favorite haunt of the malarial mosquito.

A Fireless House.

To demonstrate his faith in the practicability of electricity for all domestic purposes, an official of an Illinois electrical company has recently built a house at Carrollton, Ill., without a chimney or any other means of making use of fire. The house is heated by steam and the cooking done by electricity, both supplied by the neat, light and power company, with which the gentleman is connected. This construction marks the beginning of an effort to obtain customers for current to be used in the kitchen, and a special rate has been fixed for that kind of service.

The Water Hyacinth.

An interesting novelty for the corner of the garden may be found in the water hyacinth, which can now be bought from the florist for a few cents. This requires a little pond or a tub of water, upon the surface of which the curiously expanded leaves will float, sending down their long roots into the water. A single plant multiplies rapidly, and before the end of the season will be likely to send up many of the spikes of violet blue flowers.

English Urbanity.

We sincerely hope that this is the last time we shall see American amateur athletes in this country, and we can get on very well without a great many other Americans who are not athletes. Of course it would be absurd not to admit that among Americans there are some good sportsmen and agreeable people, but they are in such a small minority that it is almost impossible to trace them.

Not a Matter of Creed.

A man addicted to walking in his sleep went to bed all right, but when he awoke he found himself on the street in the grasp of a policeman. "Hold on," he cried, "you mustn't arrest me. I'm a somnambulist." To which the policeman replied: "I don't care what your religion is—your can't walk the street in yer night-shirt."

Art of the Superior Smile.

The superior smile is a useful accomplishment for any young man. It is much in vogue at the universities, where it may be studied at its best on young Don. Many men who learn nothing else at the universities, learn this art, and find it uncommonly useful in after life. It is an excellent cover for a naked mind, and should be sought after by parliamentary candidates.

An Error of the Times.

Among the educated classes the tendency of the day is to make far too much of the children. One of the most objectionable sights is to see well-trained, well-mannered little men and women of the world who are treated by their elders as if they were not only equals but superiors.

Shears for Carving Fowl.

A pair of shears has been devised especially for those who find the talent of carving hard to acquire. The upper blade is a carving knife and the dented lower blade forms a clip. The shears are easy to handle and permit one to attack any part of the fowl.

Man's Dull Attire.

Britishers are constantly becoming duller and more morose in the matter of their clothes. There carelessness in this respect seems sometimes to amount to affectation.

A Garden of Hyacinths.

The Sultan of Turkey has a whole garden exclusively devoted to hyacinths of different kinds.

THE SILK HAT.

On Whose Head and in What Circumstances It Is Most Conspicuous.

Conspicuous as the silk hat somehow appears on the head of an unaccustomed wearer, it may in some circumstances be even more conspicuous on the head of one accustomed to wear it constantly, as when worn by a cabman on his way home to the stable with his coat off.

Then does the cabman's silk hat loom up indeed, to become not merely conspicuous at a hat, but to be worn above a white shirt and crossed suspenders, of all the landscape easily the dominating feature.

Sunshine as a Hair Bleach.

In the days of Queen Elizabeth women of fashion suffered the most violent headaches because they stood in the sunshine day after day to bleach their hair yellow, in imitation of Her Majesty's chrome locks. There is no particular fashion in hair color to-day. All shades and tints are in the market. The peroxide blonde is sitting in the background, hoping, and among men she remains always under suspicion.

Made Him a Songster.

Mr. Stubb (in astonishment)—"Gracious, Maria! That tramp has been singing out in the back yard for the last hour."

Mrs. Stubb—"Yes, John, it is all my fault."

Mr. Stubb—"Your fault?"

"Mrs. Stubb—'Indeed it is. I thought I was giving him a dish of boiled oatmeal and instead of that I boiled up the bird-seed by mistake.'"

Milk.

From whatever source obtained, milk contains every constituent required by the human body for its growth and nourishment, and nothing more is required for the development of the young of all mammals, whether carnivorous or herbivorous, than the elements which analysis shows us to exist in that important fluid.

A Good Precedent.

A good precedent has been set in the sending to jail for thirty days of a rascally chauffeur who took his employer's automobile without permission for a "joy ride" and did a lot of damage. If every such offense had such a sequel there would be less of that sort of law breaking—or the jails would be filled and the chauffeur market depleted.

Strenuous, Yet Robust.

The patriarch of the olden type, is not so much in evidence now. But America is full of well preserved men far past middle life who hardly show their years, as, with modern machinery of achievement, they accomplish more in a month than their grandfathers could have done in a year.

Regal.

His ambition was to be rich, and for that he toiled early and late. "Wealth," he cried, will make a king of me!"

And so it did. At the age of 50, by which time he was worth \$100,000,000, he had to have a bodyguard to keep him from being assassinated, just like a king.

A Bright Lad.

"That's a powerful smart boy of your'n Ike," said a prominent citizen of Polkville, Ark.

"You betcha!" proudly replied the parent of the prodigy. "He can swear like a pirate, and the little fellow's only five years old and hasn't never been in sight of the ocean in his life, neither!"

Century of Shriek.

Politically, socially and morally we are to-day suffering from the fact that the huge army of degenerates in our midst have a voice in the making of public opinion. The high-pitched voices of the "excitable gratic" have marked the twentieth century as "The Century of Shriek."

The Law of Life.

Keep thyself, then, simple, good, pure, serious, free from affectation, a friend of justice, a worshipper of the gods, kind, affectionate, strenuous, in all proper acts. Short is life. There is only one fruit of this terrible life—a pious disposition and social acts.

Mental Therapeutics in Action.

Whenever you feel that you must go off to the mountains or the seaside, go into your back yard, lie flat on your back on the grass, look up through the leaves at the blue sky—you will find that an excellent substitute.

Esperanto Flagged.

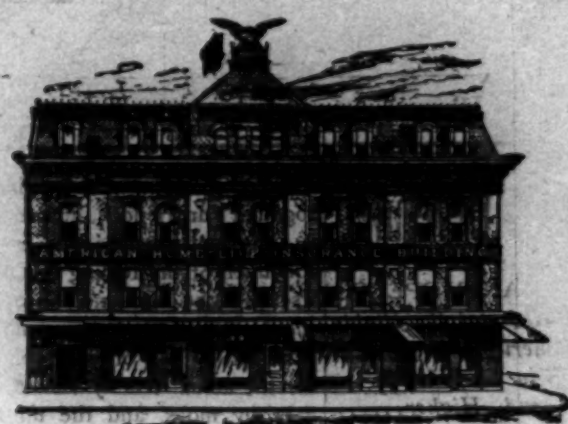
Have you seen the Esperanto flag? It was raised for the first time in America Monday at the Chautauqua assembly grounds, to the singing of the Esperanto hymn. The flag is a green and white ensign with a green star on a white field.

Taking Notice.

The election board of the Infinitive Spitters' Union is now sitting on the application of the Washington Post, which yesterday rose "to respectfully suggest 'something or other.'"

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That Sawing Motion.

"Some people do dislike work," remarked the Observer of Events and Things; "and yet it takes about the same number of motions to play one of Schubert's sonatas on the fiddle as it does to saw a cord of wood."—Yonkers Statesman.

Save the Soot.

A cheap way to keep house plants free from disease is to put a bag of soot into a pail of water, let the contents settle and use a very weak solution for watering plants. Soot is a valuable fungicide.

West Grows Independent.

The matter of securing funds to remove the crop no longer disturbs western bankers. To use an expression of one of the number, "The West no longer sneezes when Wall Street takes snuff."

Sticky Varnish.

Sticky varnish put on furniture by cheap workmen may be remedied by first placing on shellac varnish and then follow with a coat of copal varnish.

Soldiers Live on Nuts.

The small soldier keeps himself in perfect fighting condition on a diet of nuts. He eats only twenty a day, but they are of a very nourishing kind.

An Undiscovered Genius.

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PICKED BODY OF MEN

Slow to Recognize the Utility of Air Navigation, the Lost Time is Now Rapidly Made Up—Well Equipped Works for the Purpose Installed at Fort Myer, Near Washington.

Washington, D. C.—The present Government tests of airships of various types will serve to bring prominently before the public the functions and personnel of the newest and one of the most interesting branches of the United States army—the Balloon Squad. The little group of men who within the past few months have qualified as experts in the handling of sky craft will serve as the nucleus of what will ultimately become one of the most important organizations in Uncle Sam's military establishment—a trained body such as is essential, if this nation is to overcome the long lead, already gained by France, Germany and Great Britain in military aeronautics.

The Balloon Squad is a branch of the United States Signal Corps. For a number of years ballooning has been regarded in military circles, as an essential adjunct to the signal work of the army, but Americans have been unaccountably tardy in exploiting its possibilities.

Picturesque indeed, were the circumstances which finally aroused the Yankee officers to action. The spark that set interest and energy aflame in this direction was the winning of the first international balloon race by Lieut. Frank P. Lahm. That young American army officer, barely twenty-eight years of age and almost a novice in the work, should defeat the most experienced aeronauts of Europe and win a decisive victory in what was, up to that time, the greatest aerial sporting event the world had ever seen, could not help but kindle the patriotism and the aeronautic interest of his fellow officers at home and abroad.

The outcome of the sentiment thus aroused was the issuance of an order creating the Aeronautical Division of the Signal Corps. It was arranged to get out of storage the several balloons of foreign make which had been bought by the United States during the Spanish war and had been in storage ever since, and it was decided that the headquarters of the new activities should be at a "balloon house" at Fort Myer, Va., just across the Potomac from Washington, and where the progress could be closely watched by the administrative officials of the War Department. It is the expectation that in many months elapse, a second detachment of the Aeronautical division will be organized at Fort Omaha, Neb., where the government is now building a model balloon house and is installing what it is hoped to be the most up-to-date plant in the world for the manufacture of the hydrogen gas used for the inflation of balloons.

The balloonists at Fort Myer have the care of all the balloons owned by the War Department. These include a French balloon of 9,000 cubic feet capacity, which was bought during the Spanish War; a balloon, 26,000 cubic feet capacity, of German manufacture, which was acquired at the same time; the famous Balloon No. 10, of 76,000 cubic feet capacity, which was built especially for the Signal Corps by Lee Stevens and three small balloons of German manufacture, 400 cubic feet capacity each, which are intended primarily for signal work but which are proving very useful at Fort Myer as reserve reservoirs for the storage of a surplus supply of hydrogen during the inflation of the big balloons.

Uncle Sam's establishment is pretty well equipped, in addition to a vast array of such standard adjuncts as ballast bags, anchors, baskets and the like, there are instruments for registering the lifting power of a gas bag and for testing the quality of the gas in use. One ingenious mechanical assistant is an apparatus, operated by turning a crank, which inflates a balloon with air so that it may be tested for leaks or to facilitate repair work.

For the time being the hydrogen gas used as the lifting medium in the dirigible and all other balloons is manufactured at a temporary plant at Fort Myer, but ultimately all the gas required for army balloon operations anywhere in this country will be manufactured at the Fort Omaha plant and will be shipped wherever needed in tanks somewhat resembling, save for their larger size, the gas tanks used in connection with soda water fountains.

The balloon squad has its regular drills just as do other branches of the military service. The most important of these has for its object the inflation of a balloon.

10,000 Wed from One School.

Cincinnati, Ohio.—President J. Hill of Lebanon University declares that fully 10,000 matrimonial matches had been made through the influence of the school since it was founded fifty-two years ago.

WIRELESS RAYS A MENACE TO HEALTH.

Will Probably Cause Some Mysterious Disease Like the X-Rays Did.

London, England.—It is now asserted that wireless telegraphy may turn out to be a menace to health of the human race.

Basing his alarming suggestion on the fact that the Admiralty is now sending messages to the British fleet at sea by means of a wireless telegraphic apparatus erected at the Navy Headquarters in Whitehall, a well-known scientist says:

"This means that ether waves are being let loose in one of the densest parts of London, in my opinion a most dangerous experiment, considering the totally unsuspected results produced by X-rays, which are only another form of ether waves, upon people coming into frequent contact with them."

"With this wireless system once in use the people not only of London, but of all England, will be continually subjected to these mysterious and little understood ether disturbances, with possibly calamitous results in the shape of some fearful and obscure disease akin to that caused by X-rays."

Professor Sir. William Crookes, when consulted on the subject, immediately admitted the possibility of the wireless rays being injurious.

"Marconi rays and X-rays," he said, "are both vibrations of ether. The X-rays did not produce any injurious effect for some years, and the fact that they were at all dangerous was not suspected. Personally, though I have worked with the X-rays from the beginning, I have escaped harm. It is possible that the wireless rays may have an ill effect upon people constantly subjected to them, though I have not heard of a case yet."

A professor at King's College said: "It is so uncertain at present in what way the X-rays generate skin disease that I should not care to affirm that wireless rays have no such effect. For a considerable time no one imagined the X-rays to be harmful and then several bad cases occurred. It is impossible to be sure that the Marconi waves are not injurious, when we know that the X-ray ether waves are so dangerous. It cannot be denied that another set of ether waves might have their own special action upon the human system. It might be undiscovered for years. Experiment alone can determine whether these wireless rays are harmless or not."

WIFE GOT THE MONEY.

"Come On" Was Wise, and Bunco Men Were Buncoed.

Wichita, Kan.—J. J. Savage, a ranch owner of Amarillo, Texas, came to this city to bet \$3,500 on a "fixed" horserace. He has fled back to Texas with his own money and \$500 belonging to the four men who tried to fleece him. He brought a draft here to wager on the race. After Savage cashed the draft the bunco men gave him \$500 of their own money to wager, thinking to convince him that the deal was all right.

Before the wager was made a friend gave the Texan a tip, however, and he and his wife hired a motor car, drove from the city to Wellington, and took a train home. Mrs. Savage took charge of her husband's \$3,500 and the bunco men's \$500.

IS \$20,000,000 WASTED?

Experts Say Government's Ohio River Dams Are Bad.

Pittsburg, Pa.—The most of the \$20,000,000 which has already been expended by the government in making the six dams below Pittsburg, in the Ohio River, has been practically thrown away, is the contention of rivermen, and there is a fight on in the matter between river interests and the engineers in charge of the government work.

It appears that the government dams have been so constructed that the water eddies immediately below the dams, making sand bars, which are far more dangerous to shipping than were conditions in the river before the dams were built.

HORSE HURRIED TO DOCTOR.

Wise Animal Knew What to Do When It Got Colic.

Bloomington, Ind.—The most sensible horse of local record was found here when the family animal of Samuel Johnson became sick with colic, and of its own accord made its way to the veterinary eight blocks away. Dr. Sweeney heard a noise in his yard and he found the Johnson horse reeling in pain. He treated the animal and sent it home.

To Trace Shells by Telescopes.

Washington, D. C.—One hundred observation telescopes are to be purchased by the Ordnance Department of the army. They are to be used in coast artillery practice to watch the fall of shots.

Return Wave of Immigrants.

Washington, D. C.—Immigration officials scatter a few bits of information which tend to lessen the pessimism stirred by the news that 600,000 Europeans have already booked passage back to America.

WE HAVE AN OPIUM EVIL OF OUR OWN.

Extent of Illegitimate Use of the Drug in This Country.

The Smokers Not Confined to the Chinese, Who Seem to be Adopting Measures to Stamp It Out—In New York City It Is Estimated That 5,000 Whites Hit the Pipe.

Washington, D. C.—In spite of the fact that the Chinese population in the United States is much smaller than it was in 1878 the importation of smoking opium into the United States has increased more than 250 per cent since then. In 1907 the importation of smoking opium was 167,000 pounds. These facts are only a few of the startling features of the reports now being received at the State Department by the American commissioners to the international congress to investigate and report on the growth of the opium habit.

The investigation is being conducted by Dr. Har Uton Wright of Washington, one of the commissioners who has his headquarters in the office of Assistant Secretary Huntington Wilson of the State Department. Already he has reports that show that the importation of opium to the United States from 1903 to 1907 increased 1,000,000 pounds over the importations for a comparative period immediately preceding. It has been ascertained also that about 75 per cent of the importations are used in the manufacture of morphine. Of the manufactured products of the drug only 25 per cent get into legitimate uses.

In New York City there are said to be about 3,000 Chinamen, of whom 500 are smokers of opium; another report places the percentage of the smokers at one-third of the entire population. In Philadelphia there are 1,000 Chinese, fully one-third of whom are addicted to the habit of smoking. These figures do not take into consideration the moderate smokers of whom there are many. The returns made to the commission estimate that there are 5,000 white smokers in New York City.

The sources of information upon which the commissioners rely are State pharmacists, members of the American Medical Association, police reports, manufacturers of opium, chemists, druggists, and boards of health.

One of the interesting facts gleaned by the investigation is that the users of the drug among the Chinese population in the United States are anxious to give it up and the young men are being strongly impressed by Chinese medical authorities with the destructive influences of the use of opium. Chinese doctors have devised a cure for the habit which is being generally resorted to by victims of the drug. The efficacy of the cure has not yet been fully tested.

When the commissioners to the international congress were appointed they were instructed that the primary purpose of the international congress was to consider the growth of the opium habit in the far East. It occurred to Dr. Wright that he might profitably investigate the prevalence of the habit in the United States. He set about getting reports from all the large cities, and up to this time the replies have been rather startling. He believes that it proves conclusively that we have an opium evil at home which demands our attention before we start out to reform the Orientals.

He has not yet received full reports from New York City, and those that have come are conflicting, but enough has been received to indicate that in the United States the use of opium as a habit has grown to an alarming extent and that its growth is not among the Chinese residents, who, on the contrary, seem to be adopting measures for stamping it out, but the progress is among the whites and what surprises him is that it is not among the slums but in the professional classes, where the highly keyed nervous systems seem to crave narcotics. Many reports indicate that the "strenuous life" is in a measure responsible for the recourse to the drug.

LIVES ON \$75 A Year.

Musician Trying to Save \$10,000 for the Poor.

Omaha, Neb.—In order that he may give his entire property to the poor, Victor Schmidt, a well-known Omaha musician, was discovered living in a cellar for which he paid \$1.50 a month. In his pocket were certificates of deposit for nearly \$8,000. Schmidt asserts that he lives on \$75 a year and gives the balance of his earnings to the poor.

Schmidt is a college-bred man and a former student at a German university. He has always been a charity worker. He is attempting to save \$10,000 with which to establish an institution for the poor.

British Take to Parasols.

London, England.—The Englishman has taken to parasols. After this, maybe he will adopt the picture hat, and in time he may even come to fash.

IMPOSTOR POSED AS LONG-LOST SON.

Lived on the Fat of the Land Till the Real Jake Kinderman Made Appearance.

San Bernardino, Cal.—By the return of Jake Kinderman after twenty-one years' absence, his family find that that they have been made victims of an unscrupulous impostor who for several years has posed as the real Jake Kinderman, lived in ease, and disgrace, the family man by his strange conduct. Because they supposed he was their son they put up with him.

The impostor dropped into the family six years ago and laid claim to being the long lost son. He was received with wide open arms as he told a straight story of his past. Friends of the family from far and near were invited to meet him. Then he began to show signs of a peculiar nature. He carried two big pistols in his belt and wore a cowboy hat and cowhide overalls. He shocked his relatives by applying for the position of official dog catcher. For months he rode a big horse, chasing dogs. It was made so warm for him that he finally left, but he reappeared in Pasadena, where he took the dog catcher's job. Later he went to Long Beach to catch canines. After that he drifted into Arizona and six months ago returned, being given another welcome by the parents. For several months he had been missing.

On a recent morning a stalwart young man called at the Kinderman home. He was in the navy blue.

"I'm your son, Jake," he exclaimed as his parents opened the door.

Mrs. Kinderman caught one glimpse of the man's honest blue eyes, heard his voice and fainted. The sailor carried her into the house, while his father, brothers and sisters swarmed about him, not knowing who he was nor whether he had better be placed under arrest.

"Jake! Jake!" cried the overjoyed mother. She revived, and in an instant the entire family was about him, completely carried away with joy at his return.

How the impostor became possessed of the information which made it so easy for him to set at rest all fears as to his identity is a mystery to the real Jake Kinderman, though it is certain that the two men must have met probably in some foreign land, during the wanderings of the real Jake Kinderman.

When the real Jake ran away with Joe Rubidoux they followed a circus. Then Kinderman joined the navy, and for eighteen years has served Uncle Sam. He fought for his country at Manila. He was seized with a desire to know the fate of his family and he started for home on a leave of absence. He will return to the navy for a three years' enlistment and when that is served he will be retired.

CHILDREN MADE BLIND.

One-Third Victims of Careless Doctors and Midwives.

Springfield, Ill.—One-third of the blind children of this country are the victims of careless physicians or midwives.

This is the charge that Superintendent George W. Jones of the Illinois School for the Blind, makes in an article in bulletin of the State Board of Charities. Superintendent Jones says:

"Inflammation of the eyes of the new born is an acute infection occurring from one to three days after birth. A two per cent. solution of silver nitrate is an absolute specific for this disease and a one per cent. solution can be administered without danger by the most untrained person."

AUTOS USELESS IN WAR.

Tests at Pine Plains Manoeuvres Were Unsatisfactory.

New York City.—The automobile is practically useless for military purposes, is the gist of the report filed at the headquarters of the Department of the East, United States Army, on Governor's Island. This report, signed by Lieut. Col. E. F. Glenn, Twenty-Third Infantry, and Capt. William T. Johnson, Fifteenth Cavalry, refers to the tests made at Pine Plains, N. Y., during the thirty days' army manoeuvres.

Ask Publicity for Accidents.

Sharpsville, Penn.—With a view to lessening the number of accidents, the American Anti-Accident Association of this city, asks the press of the country to make a special feature of all accidents occurring in this country, placing the occurrences under a regular heading, as is done with sporting, financial and other features that are classified. Such featuring, it is believed, would cause people to consider more carefully the cause of accidents and assist in a possible prevention.

Humming Birds Vanishing.

London, England.—Lord Stanmore, giving evidence before the Select Committee on the Importation of Plumage Prohibition bill, said that when he went to Trinidad (as Governor) in 1886 there were eighteen or nineteen different kinds of the humming bird, but now there are only about five.

AN OCTOON POSED AS A WHITE GIRL.

Chicago Negress For Many Years Concealed Her Secret.

MOTHER TELLS STORY

Why Lillian Beatrice Watkins Committed Suicide—Back of the Girl's Story is a Tragic Narrative of Race Conflict Which Brought Aching Hearts to a Score.

Chicago, Ill.—Lillian Beatrice Watkins, a beautiful negress, who for years passed herself off as a white girl, killed herself when her cup of bitterness became full to overflowing. A man had fallen in love with her, and passionately loving him in return, she confessed her secret to him. He gave her \$15,000, married another girl and a month later blew out his brains in Washington Park. The girl in planning of her own death adopted his method, even to sending a bullet crashing into her right temple.

Back of the girl's death is a tragic story of a conflict of race which brought aching hearts to a score of persons. As the young girl lay in a north wide undertaking room a negress bent and withered, leaned over the body and wept.

She was the girl's mother, who in order to allow her only daughter to associate with white folks, had given her up and passed her daily on the street without a sign of recognition. And yet the golden haired octoon loved her dark skinned mother, and on secret visits to her home lavished affection upon her.

Thomas F. Kennedy, the motive for whose suicide in Washington Park on January last had been a mystery until now, was the man who fell in love with the ill-fated girl. She returned his love and told her mother that they were engaged and that she intended to keep her race a secret, but she worried so over possible discovery that one night she sobbed out the truth. Kennedy left her and a month afterward married Gwendolyn Reese. Four weeks after his marriage Kennedy was found dead in Washington Park, only a few blocks from his home where he had furnished elegant apartments for his bride.

Lillian Watkins the last year had been living at the home of Samuel C. Phinney, No. 376 Dearborn ave. Mr. and Mrs. Phinney never suspected that the girl was a negress. Miss Watkins was employed as a stenographer in the First Trust and Savings Bank, and all of her fellow workers thought she was a Caucasian. On one or two occasions friends had remarked that she had rather a dark skin, and Miss Watkins always turned the subject by remarking carelessly that she had Hindu blood, as her grandfather was a Hindu.

She studied at the University of Chicago. At one time she lived at the Virginia Hotel and for a few months was a guest at the Warner Hotel, Thirty-third street and Cottage Grove avenue.

Mrs. Ida Watkins, the girl's mother, lives at 3571 Forest avenue. With tears streaming down her face she told the story of her daughter's struggle to obtain recognition as a white.

"My child's misfortune was that she was born with a white skin and golden hair. Oh, how proud I was of my little baby when she lay at my breast and I saw her delicate skin and golden tresses. I little thought of the shame and misery it would cause her later in life. Her father was a white-skinned mulatto and Lillian was even whiter than he.

"Until my little girl was sixteen years old she always passed as a colored girl. Then a schoolmate put it into her head that she could pass as a white girl, and she came home and told me that, while she still loved me, she wanted to be known as a white girl and asked me not to recognize her as my daughter. I thought my heart would break and we both cried for hours, but finally I saw that Lillian's happiness depended on the sacrifice and I made it.

"Then, Lillian became converted to the Catholic religion and entered a convent in Buffalo, N. Y. She wanted to take the veil but became ill and confessed to the priest that she was a negress. I was living in Hamilton, Ohio, at that time, and Lillian came home. A few months afterward she came to Chicago and then sent for me. She explained gently that she was known as a white girl and would have to visit me secretly. She gave me \$50 a month for my expenses and came to see me three times a month. When we passed on the street we did not recognize each other.

"Then came my daughter's great unhappiness. She passionately loved Thomas Kennedy and she told me that he loved her. She told him her secret and they parted. He married in a few weeks and a month afterward shot himself. He gave Lillian \$15,000. She has left me all of this money in her will, and in her will wrote that I was her nearest and dearest relative. So you see she did love me although my skin is black."

Miss Watkins shot herself in her room at the Phinney home. She evidently had deliberated a long time before she committed suicide.

ESCAPED CONVICT DEPUTY SHERIFF.

Model Citizen for Eleven Years—Identity Disclosed by Former Fellow Prisoner.

Williams, Ariz.—"No necessity for that," said Frank Sherlock, as H. B. Woods, a ranger, covered him with a revolver and declared him under arrest. Sherlock had been recognized as Charles Bly, a convict who rode away from the New Mexico penitentiary on the warden's horse eleven years ago.

Ever since his escape the fugitive has lived an ex-novo life. For eight years he served as a deputy sheriff of Mojave County, and in that time had run down many desperate criminals. He was held in the highest esteem by his fellow townsmen, and the revelation that he was an escaped convict came as a shock to the entire community.

Recently Sherlock became a successful contractor and secured contracts at Nelson, Ariz. A workman in tattered clothes approached him later and appealed to him for work. A moment later the stranger extended his hand and said: "Why, hello, how are you?" The supposed stranger was a fellow convict who had served in the penitentiary when Sherlock, alias Bly, made his escape. Sherlock gave him a job but discharged him later.

This incensed the ex-convict and he betrayed Sherlock. The next day Captain Christian, of the New Mexico penitentiary arrived and started for Santa Fe with Sherlock, where he has two years to serve on a four year sentence for horse stealing. Because of his exemplary life the citizens of his home town will make an effort to secure his pardon.

DENTISTRY FOR DOGS.

Cost of Filling and Scraping a Canine's Teeth.

London, England.—An observing reporter of a local daily on overhearing two ladies discuss the relative merits of their pet dogs' teeth at the Peking Palace Dog Show, started upon a tour of investigation among fashionable West End dentists and made the important discovery that several well known dental surgeons made a large income by attending to the teeth of their client's pet dogs. Baid one:

"I frequently attend to the teeth of pet dogs belonging to my clients, and that practice is common in our profession. Scraping dog's teeth is a simple enough and almost painful operation. I have on several occasions cleaned a dog's hollow tooth and filled it. Only once have I taken a wax impression and supplied false teeth, and the dog soon got rid of them. The instruments are the same that we use for human beings.

"Show dogs are brought to me for their teeth to be scraped or stopped, as a decayed tooth means loss of points in competition. My scale of prices is: Scraping a set and cleaning one tooth, 1s.; refilling and cleaning one tooth, 6s.; making a bicuspid or incisor, 17s. 6d.; making a canine and grinder, 21s. I have never supplied a full set of teeth for a dog, and could only give a fancy estimate, but the work could not be done properly under 25 guineas."

PLANTING EYELASHES.

Hair of One's Head is Threaded Along Edge of Eyelid.

Paris, France.—"Planting eyelashes" is the latest torture which women endure for beauty's sake. The operation which is "very delicate and painful," is this described in the Paris Health Journal:

A long hair is singled out of the patient's head. A needle is threaded with it and forced in and out of the skin along the edge of the eyelid, forming a series of loops. These loops are then cut at the extremities and the rows of lashes thus obtained are curled upward with curlers. When the operation is finished the patient has to spend twelve hours with an oiled bandage over the eyes. The process for the manufacture of eyebrows is similar.

400 KEPT FROM SUICIDE.

Persuaded to Live by Salvation Army Officers.

Chicago, Ill.—Five of the Salvation Army officers, among them Brig. Alexander McMillan, the founder and head of the famous "Anti-Suicide bureau," has left Chicago to take command in various parts of the United States.

Within a year or more since the Anti-Suicide Bureau was started exactly 400 men and women have applied for advice at the headquarters. According to the army officials a large proportion of these would have taken their lives if the bureau had not intervened.

Balloon Parties for London.

London, England.—The "balloon party" is said to have arrived, and, indeed, there are hostesses who boast the possession of a tame balloon for the entertainment of their guests.

Helium Really Liquefied.

London, England.—Prof. Ohnes has telegraphed to Prof. Dewar confirming the statement that he has succeeded in liquefying helium.

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TAFT AND BRYAN.

Mr. Taft and Mr. Bryan are the standard bearers of two great political parties. The former is the representative of a party which believes in manhood rights, irrespective of color and Condition.

The other, Mr. Bryan, is the standard bearer of a party whose record is, and has been, a menace to civilization.

The Democratic party of Mr. Bryan has its advocates in persons like Tillman, Vardaman, Tom. Dixon and others. Tillman is the advocate of the shotgun policy; Vardaman the champion of Ku Kluxism, and Dixon who has nursed the prejudice of Negro inferiority from the hour nature gave him reason to present his doctrine to the world.

What is the Colored American to expect? What has become of their reasoning faculties?

No nation except Colored Americans could so soon forget the wrongs that are heaped upon them. For centuries the Carthaginians labored under Roman oppression and tyranny, and not once did Carthaginian ancestry forgive or forget Roman oppression, until it was settled by the sword; and not until after a bloody conflict did Rome realize that the Carthaginians were people who would not submit to oppression.

Why should Colored Americans argue like maniacs from any asylum? The most ridiculous and insane declaration of the advocates of the independent Democratic doctrine, is an alleged self-defense theory.

"The Bee" has read the law of self-defense, and seen combats of self-defense; but it has neither read of, nor seen a Nation quietly pursuing the even tenor of its way and obeying every law: defending the constitution under which it is governed and shot down, lynched, burned at the stake, denied its civil and political rights, "Jim Crowed," and then its own advocates declare that these acts of self-defense are right on the part of another race or nation.

Lunatics just out of a mad-house would reason better. They would kill themselves, if not others if the opportunity were given them.

Mr. Taft doesn't represent such a party. The party that he represents has made this country of ours, beautiful and prosperous.

Stop! Colored Men, and consider what the blind representatives of the Colored people are doing. The greed for gold, and the emoluments of office, very often lead men to do, and commit acts injurious to themselves, and to their people.

THE NEGRO AN INDEPENDENT?

There was a time in the history of Colored Americans, when it was plausible for them to be independent; not in national, but in local politics. At this time the political crisis is of such a charac-

ter that Colored Americans cannot afford to support the principles of the Democratic party, no matter what the inducements of that party may be.

But have any inducements been made to Colored Americans?

Mr. Bryan declares that he will be compelled to support the platform of his party. If that be true, then wherever the Democratic party gets control, the rights of Colored Americans will be bridged. Colored men should see this without being warned.

It is an evident fact that colored men cannot afford to throw away the opportunities that were given to them by the Republican party. It is argued that the Republican party sat quietly by and allowed the political rights of Colored Americans to be taken from them, and for that reason they must support Mr. Bryan.

Well, would it be consistent with fair play to support the party of abstraction, abridgement, and oppression, or the alleged party that remains passive, or apparently passive?

In other words, ought Colored Americans to support the Democratic party which has never had any love for them, or the party which placed in their hands a weapon of defense? The ballot was given to the Colored Americans by the Republican party; is it consistent with reason for colored men to support the party which denies and takes from Colored Americans their civil and political rights?

The great trouble with certain colored men, is that they are insensible as to what is right and proper to advise.

Whatever the faults of the President may be, he has never as yet advocated the disfranchisement of Colored Americans; and so far as the Brownsville incident is concerned, Secretary Taft had no more to do with the dismissal of the colored troops than any other American citizen.

The Bee's advice to Colored Americans is not to be deceived by false gods and false doctrines.

AN OBJECT LESSON.

Senator J. B. Foraker took up the cause of the Colored soldiers who were dismissed from the army without honor. The contest with the administration was hotly argued. The fight thus far is in "statu quo."

Never in the history of any republic, has greater manhood been shown than that on the part of Senator Foraker. In the Senator's own state, the administration took from him his most able lieutenants, and threatened to take his seat in the Senate.

The cause of the contest was the dismissal of the Colored troops. On the other hand, the entire Colored race arrayed itself against the President, and many of the representatives of the race have threatened to defeat the party if possible, because these Colored troops were dismissed without honor. The difference between Senator Foraker and many Colored representatives, is one believes that the success of the party is above self; while a few of the representatives of the Colored soldiers would sacrifice the race, and the party of protection to satisfy a selfish thirst for revenge. Has the Republican party injured the Colored race, or the Democratic party?

Why are our wives, daughters, and sweethearts compelled to ride in filthy "Jim Crow" cars, while the poor, common, white trash are permitted ingress and egress to all public inns, public amusements, and public conveyances.

This is what the so-called representatives of the Colored race are endorsing.

Foraker would rather sacrifice himself than his party; some Colored Americans would rather sacrifice the party, the race and its liberties, than listen to reason.

Senator Foraker is a patriot.

MINISTER IN POLITICS.

No one but an unprincipled demagogue will attack a man's religious belief. Judge Taft is a Unitarian in his belief. This country has had three presidents who were Unitarians, but no one ever thought to criticize their religion. The chaplain of the United States Senate is a Unitarian, yet no one has questioned his religion, or questioned his high morals. The fact of the matter is, that the men and women who led the abolition movement, started it, and finished it, and suffered in it and for it were Unitarians. That is a belief that recognizes no distinction because of race or color.

One thing is true about Unitarian minister, they never disgrace their pulpits by lugging politics into the church. They never trail the livery of God in the dust of corrupt political meetings. They never, for hire, for so much per meeting, and for speech, indulge in throwing mud, or in criticising a man's religious belief, simply because it happens not to accord with his.

Who was it that decreed that his religious belief was the only correct belief?

Be it said that this campaign may prove the Waterloo for the Negro minister, because of his undue activity, and his eagerness to neglect his ministerial duties for politics.

The pew soon loses faith in the uprightness of a minister who accepts money from any political party. And the pew is no longer an ignorant pew in Negro churches.

The pulpit is no place for a minister who has an itching palm, to sell his political beliefs for gold. And the Negro minister has his hands full to look after the temporal welfare of his flock and to lift his church out of debt. Politics is no place for a minister. It corrupts him and lessens his influence for good. "The Bee" warns them that they are trailing the livery of God in the dust, when they engage in politics for hire.

WASHINGTON'S SPHERE UNRESTRICTED.

A real leader cannot limit his sphere of usefulness by meets or bounds. He cannot, no matter how much he may so desire, prescribe how wide or how restricted his activities, in the interest of the people he is called on to serve, shall be. A real leader rises to the altitude of a statesman, and a confined within one country, nor one state, nor one section, but within his entire country. Aye, every country where abide his people.

He may really desire to devote his energies along one particular line, but the call or duty is co-urgent that his stream of usefulness is made to overflow its banks and become seawide. There has been some narrow and unjust criticism of Dr. Washington because his advice has been solicited on affairs political. This criticism has not been prompted by sincere interest in the welfare of the race, but by jealousy born of selfishness. It comes from the same men who, themselves, have stepped aside from a chosen path to pursue a course which they argue is eminently proper. The criticism, therefore, to say the least, is not consistent.

Left to his own desires Dr. Washington would limit his energies to the educational field alone. But he is no longer a captain of a company, or the colonel of a brigade. He is, and made so by the universal acclaim because of great deeds done, a general with a whole army, brigades and corps, looking to him for command.

Those that know him intimately know that politics, in the restricted sense, is repugnant to him. But when called upon by eminent executives and legislators, to give advice on matters that bear on the uplift of his people he would be

false to his people did he not respond, as he has, and will, with helpful advice.

And who can truthfully say that his advice, in matters of politics and state, sought (never professed unsought) has not been beneficial?

The men who seek his advice have confidence in his integrity, in his deep, very deep and unselfish interest in his race. They seek his advice not because he is a politician, but because he is not a politician. Because he is a big, broad minded brainy statesman, the peer of any.

We have mere political leaders, but they are, of a necessity, narrow and selfish to a greater or less degree. All mere political leaders white or black are. Washington is wholly unselfish. Self, with him is so infinitely small that he never considers it. Race, with him, is so big and great that he has no time for thought of self. His whole being is wrapped up in his race. His whole life is consecrated to the betterment of his people along every line of honest, human endeavor. That's why he is a leader. That's why he is a statesman. That's why the advice of Booker Washington, is sought when weighty questions and grave problems that have, or may have a bearing on the uplift of his people are considered.

And Dr. Washington's advice is always sane and helpful because always unselfish, broadminded, and intelligent. Dr. Washington's sphere is now unrestricted by state or section; by creeds or professions.

Rev. Waldron remains very quiet. What cyclone has struck him?

The coming changes in the schools, will no doubt, surprise the natives.

Senator Foraker has changed front; perhaps the colored voters will learn some sense.

The man who goes out on the stump, must have a following or a constituency.

The B. M. C. has met and adjourned. Perhaps fraternal politics will take a back seat.

Secretary Taft will win, notwithstanding the disagreement of the colored voters.

Because a man makes a loud noise, is no reason that he can speak. Orators are born.

A few more business enterprises among District colored Americans, will increase their wealth.

The Republicans in office who hold good jobs, should send a handsome contribution to the committee.

James L. Pugh will succeed Judge Kimball in the event of Bryan's election. The election is not far off.

If Rev. Carothers will state what the Democratic party has done for the colored Americans, "The Bee" will rise and make a bow.

There is some likelihood of monkeys organizing, but the lawyers have decided to remain divided. There is organization among ants.

The West Virginia platforms state that the colored Americans should be disfranchised and "Jim Crowed," and yet colored men want the Democrats to carry the state. This looks like starving the stomach to get even with the other members of the body.

The Negro Defended.

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to the Negro, but as mercilessly applied the scalpel to the spineless and scheming southern Republicans of that section, who in their greed for office, forgot to emphasize the cardinal principles of the part and permitted such conditions to exist, without effective protest. Judge Taft did his whole duty, and a careful reading of the speeches in question will bear out this claim, and betray the trickery of his opponents in both races, who have misled the public by picking out sentences here, there, adroitly alter-

ing the meaning of the author by omitting modifying and explanatory clauses.

The attempt to discredit Judge Taft in the eyes of the Negro electorate of the country by representing him as an enemy to the civic equality of the race is 'dirty politics,' and will not succeed. The spirit of fair play, inbred in the American heart, revolts against such unrighteous tactics and they will be rebuked when the sober, second thought of the people has had a chance to assert itself—and that time is now at hand.

Criticism is already giving place to praise, and the hitherto deceived members of our race are rallying to the standard of this broad-minded statesman, bestowing upon him with interest the cheers that the chicanery of the enemy have led them to withhold.

Just as we may regard the previous deliverances of Judge Taft as mere analyses of a disagreeable state of affairs, to call attention to the necessity for correction, his Cincinnati keynote is to be accepted as the definite promise of the Republican candidate for the Presidency of the United States that there will be undertaken by his party a systematic and comprehensive plan of relief from the evils that now bar the Negro's "Door of Hope."

As a "looker on in Vienna," the Secretary of War could only investigate, regulate, suggest; but as the prospective Chief Executive of the nation, about to be commissioned for the great work of racial redemption, he can extend direct assurances of sympathy with our desires for a larger citizenship and outline a policy that will bring about the reforms needed. His Cincinnati speech, therefore, comes at the "psychological moment." It marks the beginning of the end of the fallacy that the Republican nominee is inimical or indifferent to the welfare of Negro people and places him squarely upon the constitution of the United States as the platform upon which his campaign is to be pitched.

With respect to the colored vote, the Cincinnati message leaves Judge Taft complete master of the situation.

A determined effort will be made by the managers of the campaign in Washington to have every Republican employee of the Government go home to vote. A tabulated statement is being prepared by Mr. Henry M. Vamp, in charge of the Interstate Republican Headquarters opposite the Treasury, which will show how many Republican voters there are in the service here and it will be pointed out to each that it is his duty to make the journey to his legal residence and put in a ballot for Taft and Sherman. Statements will be made from time to time showing the progress of the work. Steps will be taken to locate the colored voters and have them vote in their respective States.

Some little embarrassment has been felt by the clerks in the departments by reason of the President's order to the Civil Service Commission to strictly enforce the regulation forbidding Federal employees to engage actively in politics. Many are anxious to do more than the law allows, but are backward about resigning to undertake campaign work, for the order intimates that those who go off temporarily to engage in such work may have a hard time securing reinstatement after the election. However, this prohibition does not apply to those not embraced in the classified service, and the campaign will have to wag merrily along with the men who are too high or too low in grade to be looked upon with disfavor by the commission's "eagle eye."

Taft and Sherman continue to be endorsed by the colored voters who maintain a residence in the various States, but who make Washington a temporary abiding place. Announcement is made that the Taft and Sherman Colored National Republican Club of the District of Columbia, composed mostly of temporary residents who vote in North Carolina, Virginia, Maryland, West Virginia, and New Jersey, has completed arrangements for a mass meeting at Rustine Hall, on Virginia avenue, between Second and Third streets southwest, Friday evening, September 18, for the purpose of ratifying the nomination of Taft and Sherman.

Last Thursday the Robert H. Key Republican Club of colored voters held a ratification meeting for the national ticket at Spring Hill, Md. James W. Poe, formerly regarded as a vigorous opponent to the nomination of Judge Taft, made the principal address of the occasion, calling on the

colored people of the country to stand up firmly for the Republican ticket. Mr. Poe is a prominent member of the A. M. E. Zion Church and has written much and well for the Washington Evening Star and a number of colored papers of the country, notably the Star of Zion, the general organ of the Zion connection. Mr. Poe was at one time a member of the Legislature of North Carolina.

Col. J. H. Deveaux, Collector of Customs at Savannah, Ga., was in the city this week. He reports the Republican situation in Georgia as quiet and harmonious. The divisions been bridged over, and every member of the party will do his level best to advance the interests of the national ticket.

Bishop J. W. Smith, whose episcopal residence is in this city, is writing a series of letters to various race journals urging the Zionites and the colored voters at large to give their warmest support to Taft and Sherman. Bishop Smith is one of the ablest writers, as well as one of the most eloquent pulpit orators in the country, and his counsel carries weight throughout his Church. He was formerly editor of the Star of Zion.

A summary of the Negro employees in the service of the Federal Government, exclusive of the army and navy, shows that the number has more than doubled in the last four years of the Roosevelt administration, and that the aggregate pay has increased from \$3,000,000 in 1904 to over eight million in 1908. The actual number of Negroes employed as clerks, officers, and in other capacities at this time is 13,978. They draw from the Treasury in salaries the phenomenal sum of \$8,032,375. In the city of Washington alone there are 5,499 Negroes employed in the Government service, and their salaries aggregate \$3,044,404, which is as much as the aggregate salaries of all the Negroes employed under the general government in every State of the Union four years ago. To continue this magnificent record of the Roosevelt administration, the colored voters of the land will give their support to the Republican nominees. The election of Mr. Bryan would mean a wholesale exodus of Negroes from the Government service.

Recorder John C. Dancy and Register W. T. Vernon addressed an audience of 2,000 at Calvary A. M. E. Church last Thursday evening, in the city of Philadelphia.

The great meeting was held under the auspices of the Civil Rights League and the enthusiasm for Taft was a feature of the occasion. Mr. Dancy took up the Brownsville issue, and met it squarely, bringing the people to see that the prejudiced Democrats of the South were primarily responsible for the trouble which led to the whole Brownsville episode, and then pointing out, amid applause, that the Republicans wish to reinstate the soldiers, but differ only as to method, while the Democrats voted solidly against restoring them under any circumstances. He scored heavily in stating that the Democratic policy is to eliminate the Negro entirely from the army of the United States. A vote for Taft is a vote for the Negro soldier. A vote for Bryan would be a desertion of Senator Foraker, who is hard at work to bring about the election of Judge Taft.

PARAGRAPHIC NEWS.

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Mrs. Eugene Brooks, Grand Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star, for this district, is attending the Prince Hall celebration at Boston, Mass. Justice of the Peace R. H. Terrell, past Grand Master of this Masonic Jurisdiction, and John L. Hickman, past recorder of Gethsemane Commandery, are attending the one-hundredth anniversary of Prince Hall Grand Lodge, now being held in the city of Boston, Mass.

Mount Calvary Commandery, K.T., of this city, accompanied by the National Cornet Band, took an official part in the centennial anniversary of Prince Hall Grand Lodge.

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Misses Bessie Pinkney and Bessie McKinney have returned to the city, after a pleasant trip to Harper's Ferry.

Miss Evelyn Chapman spent the summer with relatives in Gordonville, Va.

Miss Mary McQuinn has returned to the city after having spent four weeks in New York.

Dr. and Mrs. Taylor of Columbus, Ga., was in Washington for two days. While here they were the guests of Rev. and Mrs. James H. Lee.

Mrs. John Loftus and little daughter Ruth, who spent the summer in Connecticut, has returned to the city.

Rev. Pinn who has had charge of a church in the North, was in the city last week. While here, he preached for the 79th St. Baptist Church.

Mrs. Daisy Green, and little son, Robert, returned to the city last week.

Look out for many fall weddings! Mr. W. Cole Chase left for New York City Sunday afternoon on business.

Architect W. Sidney Pittman was confined to his home last week.

Dr. S. M. Pierce, who met with a bad accident, is able to be out again, to the great satisfaction of his friends.

Mrs. Russell N. Boyd has issued cards for an at home in honor of her cousin, Mrs. Martha Joseph Sprattin, of Denver, Col., Friday evening, September 18, from 4 to 7 p.m., at 1742 K street northwest.

Attorneys Thomas L. Jones, William L. Pollard, W. C. Martin, Messrs. Walter J. Abrahams, Thomas H. Wright, J. Orway Tolmes, and others are in Atlantic City, N. J.

The Rev. James Van Loo, pastor in charge of St. Monica's P. E. Chapel, South Washington, was married last Monday evening to Miss Ashton, of the Treasury Department. Dr. Thomas J. Brown, rector of the St. Luke's Church, performed the ceremony.

Mr. James W. Mayo, of 1822 11th street northwest, has been confined to his residence the past two weeks with rheumatic troubles. He is under the professional care of Dr. Wiliston.

Mr. Frank Gaines, of East Washington, of the firm of Gaskins and Gaines, has been threatened with typhoid fever. He is unable to leave his room, but is slowly recovering. Dr. Curtis is the attending physician.

Rev. Robert Bennett, pastor of St. Mark's P. E. Church, Charlotte, N. C., officiated at St. Luke's Church last Sunday morning. Mr. Bennett is attending the conference on work among the colored people, now being held in Brooklyn, N. Y.

Rev. S. L. Corrothers left the city Wednesday for Atlantic City and other Eastern cities, to make speeches for Bryan and the Democratic party.

Don't forget the Grand Opening of the Capital City Dancing Class on Wednesday evening, October 7th. Classes every Wednesday.

LOCAL HANDKERCHIEF SHOWER.

The colored Episcopalians of South Washington are not slow in inculcating twentieth century ideas, as last Monday evening, September 14, will show. The occasion was the marriage of Miss Sylvia Anne, sister of Mr. and Mrs. John R. Ashton, of Washington, D. C., to Rev. James C. Van Loo, B.D., son of Capt. James A. Van Loo, of St. Vincent, B. W. I. Rev. Van Loo is pastor at St. Monica's, 200 F street. Immediately after the ceremony was performed by Rev. Thomas J. Brown, assisted by Revs. Oxley and Bennett, the novelty of a handkerchief shower was given the wedded couple. This feature consisted of each member arming with a new kerchief from the daintiest pretense to the largest expanse and holding up the bridal automobile and making the bride and groom the

frimly targets for their various bits of linen. "Bon voyage," "I wish you much joy," and a multitudinous number of compliments of similar nature, Mrs. Van Loo is already a communicant at St. Monica's Chapel and will be welcomed through her additional tie to Church and its activities. The congregation plans them a reception the 30th instant, when they return from their honeymoon and Conference of Colored Workers, meeting in the city of Brooklyn, N. Y., this week.

Music for the Capital City Dancing Class will be furnished by the Capital City Orchestra.

GRAND BARN DANCE BY THE KNIGHTS OF ST. AUGUSTINE.

A very successful and enjoyable entertainment, as well as a unique one, was given by the Knights of St. Augustine Commandery, No. 2, at the Madre Park last Thursday. The affair comprised a grand prize waltz and other attractions. The arrangements were perfect, and the large number of patrons and friends of the Commandery present seemingly enjoyed themselves very much. Refreshments were served by the Donatation Club of St. Augustine Church. Mrs. Maria Colbert, president, and Miss S. Rosie, secretary. Those in charge of this most pleasing affair were: Walter Dent (president), Jas. Campbell, first vice president; Chas. Inloe, second vice president; Thomas W. Shoris, financial secretary; J. A. Jackson, recording secretary, and B. Z. Wade, treasurer.

The following named Knights composed the chairmanship of the various committees: Arrangement, James I. Jackson; public comfort, Richard Wells; floor, William Brown; gate, John I. Jackson; refreshments, Matthew Butler. Prof. Hamilton's Orchestra furnished music for the occasion. Admission was 25 cents; children, 10 cents; and judging from the liberal attendance of the friends of this most deserving and popular organization a handsome sum must have been realized.

The Capital Orchestra has returned from Larchmont, N. Y., where it filled a four-months' engagement. For terms call or address C. H. Mason, 322 U street northwest.

MUSIC AT ST. LUKE'S P. E. CHURCH.

The choir of St. Luke's church, under the direction of Mr. Wm. H. Carter Jr., precentor, will begin its work tomorrow morning at the 11 o'clock service. This most excellent musical aggregation has been augmented by the addition of several competent singers, which will embrace a quartette, supplemented by a chorus of forty voices.

Lovers of good music should take notice.

THE B. M. C.

Atlantic City, N. J. September 15.—There are hundreds of delegates and visitors here from all parts of the country. The South comes up strong, but Houston seems to be in the lead. The session is not as largely attended as was anticipated.

THE PEACH.

Did you ever observe a peach at early morn, just after the dew had kissed it? We mean a large, ripe, luscious peach, one on whose thin, almost transparent, velvety rind nature had painted a delicate pink rivaling the blush that mounts to the virgin maiden's cheeks when her young Lochinvar first tells her of his love. If so you have noted how that beautiful shade of pink runs in and blends with a golden yellow. That's the outward evidence of the ripeness and lusciousness of the peach. Now break

it open. Hugging the delicious meat of the peach is a mahogany-colored stone, reluctant to leave its bed of sweetness. The juice flows out—juice that surpasses honey an hundred fold. You bite off a bit. What a flavor! It cannot be described. In the absence of an adequate descriptive word, we say it is delicious. It is heavenly fruit. It is so delicious that we hesitate to swallow, hoping that it may lie upon our palate until the fairy of Slumberland touches the eyelids and sends us off to revel in beautiful dreamland. And when at last the morsel of deliciousness slips slowly and hesitatingly down the throat, what a fever of satisfaction consumes us.

It is the fruit of Paradise, the one fruit that no existent language affords a fitting word to describe its beauty, its sweetness, its delicious taste. The nearest description of a peach is to liken it to divinely beautiful bit of virgin femininity for whom heaven's flowers bloom. That's a peach.

Ralph W. Tyler, in the Daily Ohio State Journal of Sept. 13.

THE NEGRO'S VOICE FOR TAFT.

Hon. Charles W. Anderson's Resolution Endorsing the Eminent Statesman Adopted With a "Hurrah." Saratoga, N. Y. September 15.—

A highly dramatic feature of yesterday's session of the Republican State convention was the introduction by Hon. Charles W. Anderson, of New York, the colored member at large of the State committee and who is making such an enviable record as Collector of Internal Revenue for the second district, of an extended resolution paying a glowing tribute to the character and public service of Judge Taft and more particularly extending to the presidential nominee the congratulations of the convention upon his fifty-first birthday, which was to occur on the morrow.

The resolution was adopted with a shout that lasted for several minutes, and the secretary was instructed to telegraph the full text to Judge Taft. The speech of Mr. Anderson prefacing the resolution was frequently interrupted by applause, long and hearty, and is pronounced one of his very ablest forensic efforts.

The voice of Mr. Anderson is accepted by the citizens of the state as the united voice of the colored voters, with whom he is justly popular and recognized from Buffalo to Far Rockaway as their natural leader. The New York Negroes are for Taft and Sherman.

NEW MUSIC FOR OUR READERS.

"Sandy and I" is the title of a new song with words and music by Mrs. Mary E. Ireland, the well-known author, who has a wide-known acquaintance all over this country. The Scotch dialect is well used. It is a song that we are sure will be well received. The melody is rich and the words are sweet and tender, the chorus of which runs:

"And we are sae happy, sae happy to feel

That when our ain time comes to de, Our mither at hame in the land of the leal

Will welcome her Sandy and me, Sandy and me, Sandy and me, Will welcome her Sandy and me, Our mither at hame in the land of the leal

Will welcome her "Sandy and me." The words have the Scotch sincerity and simplicity. A very striking picture of a Scotch lad and lassie adorns the cover. This Scotch song and chorus is written for medium voice and breathes forth the love of a young Scotch couple who came up to the threshold of domestic life with the blessing of Sandy's mother. The regular retail price of this great song is 50 cents per copy. By special arrangements with the publishers, OUR READERS will receive a copy post-paid by sending 25 cents in postage stamps to The Globe 72 78 789 89ranH stamps to THE GLOBE MUSIC CO., No. 1155 Broadway, New York.

WHAT I SAW AND HEARD.

There are several politicians in town who are looking for work. The National committee will select the best speakers, I am informed; here the scrubs will be put out of the business. There are several candidates for offices if Mr. Bryan is elected. Rev. Corrothers is anxious to be Recorder of Deeds; Rev. Walters would not object to succeeding Register W. T. Vernon. The civil service law will be disgraced, and many politicians will be

NOTICE.

To give everybody an opportunity to try Ford's Hair Pomade, and owing to occasional requests for a smaller size, we have decided to put up a 25c size in addition to our regular 50c size, either size mailed post-paid on receipt of price. Address The Ozonized Ox Marrow Co., 133 E. Kinzie Street, Chicago, Ill. For further particulars see advertisement elsewhere in this paper.

DADE'S BUFFET.

Choice Wines, Liquors and Cigars. Polite Attention. Ladies' and Gents' Dining Room. Meals Served at All Hours. Pool Room Attached. MOSES DADE, Proprietor, 1216 Pennsylvania Avenue.

TO SUBSCRIBERS.

Subscribers failing to receive The Bee next week will know that it has been discontinued for non-payment of subscription. Under the rule of the Post Office Department no paper is allowed to be sent as second class mail matter unless the subscription is paid for in advance.

The Bee Printing Co.

given a ticket of leave man.

The "black sleuth" continues to look for a job. He would make better time with pick and shovel. "Othello's" occupation is gone.

The local district Democrats are holding meetings. Just what effect they will have I am unable to tell.

Major Sylvester is contemplating selecting one of the colored officers for headquarters. The scout would fill the bill no doubt. There are many regrets at the transfer of Collector Davis, and much jubilation at the promotion of Paymaster Rodgers. Regrets and congratulations are in order.

Several prominent Odd Fellows, left the city Sunday for Atlantic City. My genial friends J. Orway Holmes, W. C. Martin, Joseph Mannings and others were among the big guns. Friend Holmes, and Mannings, always hold a smile that never comes off.

Mrs. Clark is an enterprising woman. She deserves credit for her business proclivities. She is a woman who deserves credit for her work.

I am anxious to see the District Commissioners promote our genial friends, Warner and Montague.

Assistant Assessor Adams should have been made Assessor. He is the man for the place. He is popular with the people.

Rounder.

"THE IKES."

The Shreveport, La., Enterprise in commenting on an editorial in The Bee relative to a few disgruntleds starting another paper in this city, says:

Wherever you go, wherever you be, you will find some little Negroes who are trying to make it appear that some man of influence is with them to break up a Negro enterprise. The Bee has been, no doubt, after some of the "Ikes" or has been advocating some things that they oppose; hence, they decide that they will put it out of business. These "Ikes" are not ignoramuses so far as the letter is concerned, but they are a mass of bigotry and selfishness. If their mandates are not obeyed they feel that they have the power and influence to marshal the forces and put anyone out of business who does not bow to their behest. Shreveport is not immune to these Alexes. There have been two or three combinations formed to put the News-Enterprise out of business, but we are still plodding along; the combinations were strangled in their own blood and died. We are not opposed to the starting of other papers, but when the object is to kill us, then we object to dying.

Mrs. George M. Warner, formerly Miss Eliza Upshaw, State president of the Woman's Federation of California, is in the city on a visit to her old home. Mrs. Warner received many social attentions while in the city. She left yesterday for Atlantic City and from there she will return home.

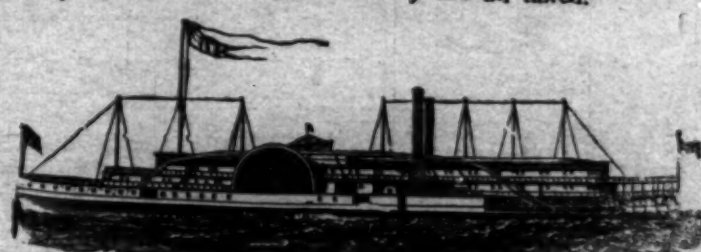
Seventy-one years after this very speech was made by this awkward young lawyer, a mob of citizens cut the throat of another citizen who was innocent of crime — and then they ran a rope through his gaping wound. And this was done within earshot of the grave of that young lawyer, Abraham Lincoln, who later became sixteenth President of the United States and emancipator of the Negro slave.

EXCURSIONS

EXCURSION SEASON For 1908

Steamer River Queen to Washington Park. Steamer Jane Moseley to Norfolk, Baltimore, and Landings down the Potomac River. Books now open for charters on the River Queen and Jane Moseley.

Secure your dates at once, before they are all taken.



WASHINGTON PARK.

This beautiful park has a collection of attractions never before offered to the Washington public. It is located about ten miles from Washington on the Potomac River. The Scenic Railway, with its electric power plant for 7,000 lights — a Figure 8. The Carousel, double-decker, with music attachments. A 5- and 10-cent Theatre. A Penny Arcadium, Moving Pictures, Shooting Gallery. A Dairy Lunch Depot and Buffet. Dancing Pavilion. Pool and Billiard Hall, and forty acres of Shady Woods and Dells.

The River Queen makes daily trips to Washington Park at 10 a.m., 12 m., and 2, 4, 6, and 8 p.m.

For particulars address Lewis Jefferson, General Manager, Seventh and N Streets Wharf.

WORTH ADVERTISING FOR.

There are 5,499 Negroes employed here in Washington by the Government alone, and these 5,499 Negroes draw salaries aggregating \$3,044,404. These more than three millions of dollars are spent right here in Washington, but scattered among the hundreds of tradesmen. Is this amount of money worth bidding for? It certainly is, and not even the largest stores in this city would refuse to get the big end of it did they but realize how much money the Negroes are really spending.

Now The Bee is the only Negro publication in this city. It stands without a rival or competitor, and covers the field like a blanket. If a few of the merchants in this city will patronize the advertising columns of The Bee, presenting the attractive bargains they may have, these Negroes — these 5,499 Negroes who draw annually from the Government over three millions of dollars — will assume that by patronizing a publication edited and operated by one of their race that such firms desire and deserve their patronage. And such firms will receive the bulk of these over three millions of dollars received and spent by the Negroes of Washington.

What clothing stores, what furniture stores, what dry goods stores and what other lines of business will now make an effort to divert to themselves these over three millions of dollars spent by Washington Negroes by advertising in The Bee?

Place your advertising in The Bee and watch these 5,499 appreciative Negroes spend their over three millions of dollars with you.

Now is the time to advertise in The Bee, the newspaper that goes into every Negro home in Washington. Remember, merchants of Washington, it's what advertising pays you, not what it costs.

NEW PHOTOGRAPHIC STUDIO.

The new photographic studio of Warren & Turner has just opened. It is an up-to-date studio and one that commends itself by the superior class of work it turns out.

Life-size portraits in oil, pastel and water colors.

WARREN & TURNER, 248 Ninth Street Northwest

Colored Skin Made Lighter

For centuries, scientific men have been trying to make dark skin lighter colored, not by artificial whitening, but in a natural way. At the Chemical Wonder Co. of New York has discovered Complexion Wonder, which does bring a lighter natural color every time it is applied. The effect is not artificial. The lighter coloring is natural. The effect on the colored countenance is magical. Price of Complexion Wonder 50c. The Chemical Wonder Co. has another preparation which is indispensable for colored people as well as white people. It is called Odor Wonder, a toilet preparation which prevents perspiration odor and encircles the body with perfumed daintiness. It will make any one physically welcome in society or business circles. Our men customers secure better positions in banks, clubs or business houses. Our women customers advance faster in life. Price of Odor Wonder \$1.00. If you have hair trouble, write us for special prescription, but if you have our Wonder Hair equipment you will have no more trouble. It consists of "Wonder Uncurl" which takes out the kinks and makes hair soft and pliable so as to dress well. A bottle of Wonder Hair-grow tonic to make the hair grow longer and a metal magnetic comb, all in one box \$1.00. We will send all the specialties of the Chemical Wonder Co. for \$2. and guarantee they will do more to advance colored people socially and commercially than show garments or gew-gaw jewelry. Booklet free. Delivery free. Applications for agency considered. M. B. Berger & Co., 2 Rector St., New York, selling agents for Chemical Wonder Co.

ROOMS WANTED

ROOMS WANTED FOR HOWARD UNIVERSITY STUDENTS.

On account of increased attendance Howard University will be unable to accommodate all of its students on the campus.

Persons having desirable rooms for the accommodation of students will please communicate with Committee on Students' Rooms, Howard University.

I Know That Deep Within Your Heart.

(Ich weiss dass tief in deiner Brust.)

WM. A. CALLANAN.

HEDWIG von ARNIE.

Andante moderato. *mp*

I know that deep within your heart You hold my image fond and
 Ich weiss dass tief in deiner Brust Du wahrst mein Bildnis in-
 true: I know that till death do us part, You'll still love me, as I love
 dich: Ich weiss das du in Schmerz und Lust stets lie-dest mich, so wie ich
 you. But oh! I'm wea-ry, and I sigh For one sweet lov-ing word of
 dich. Doch ach! ich seuf-ze und ich klag Nur ein süss lie-bend Wort mir
 praise. One whisper'd word to show that I Have been a com-fort all these
 gieb! Ein Flüs-ter-wort oh komm und sag' Dass du mich e-wig hast so
 colla voce.

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CHORUS.

Più mosso tempo.

On-ly a word of praise..... to com-fort me on the way,
 Sag' mir das Wort so süss..... das mir dein Lich-ten ver-rät,
 One lit-tle word of love..... re-peat-ed from day to day.....
 Sag' mir's wenn ich dich grüss..... Oh! sag' es mir früh und spät.....
 Mo-ments would then be sweet..... that I now in grief de-plore;
 Dann wird mir al-le leicht..... was mir jetzt das Herz be-drückt;
 Tell me that you love me..... as you did in days of yore.....
 Sag' mir dass du mich liebst..... und ich bin für e-wig de-glückt.....

I KNOW THAT DEEP WITHIN YOUR HEART. 2-2

Kleinert's DRESS SHIELDS

Every pair of Kleinert's Dress Shields is warranted. When properly used, we will not only refund money paid for shields that are not perfect, but will hold ourselves responsible for any resulting damage to gown. Kleinert's Dress Shields are made in ten sizes, from size 1 to size 10. If your dealer does not keep the kind or size you want, send us 25c. for sample pair of either kind in size 3. If you want a larger size, add 5c. for each additional size. Send for our Dress Shield Book. It is worth reading. Sent free on application. I. B. KLEINERT RUBBER CO. 721-723-725-727 BROADWAY, NEW YORK.



OUR LAND PURCHASES PAY.

All of Them Have Added Immensely to National Wealth.

In the Philippines as in its other land deals, the United States made a good bargain. The census of the Philippines just published shows that the forests in the islands, in which there are 747 varieties of woods, are worth about \$3,000,000,000, or double those of the States of Oregon and Washington, which are especially strong in that particular asset. Then there are great deposits of coal, iron and lead, and there are many indications of gold and silver, all of which represent a wealth of several billions more. The Philippines cost us \$20,000,000 in the jump sum which we paid to Spain. Possibly the military and naval expenditures on account of the islands cost us \$400,000,000 or \$500,000,000. But even if these figures were quadrupled we would still be gainers in that speculation in a monetary sense.

The Louisiana region, extending from the Mississippi to the Rocky mountains and the Sabine river, cost us \$15,000,000, which we paid to France. We gave \$5,000,000 to Spain for Florida, which comprised not only the present state of that name, but the lower ends of Alabama and Mississippi and most of the eastern projection of Louisiana. Texas came to us without cost, and so did the Oregon country, comprising the present States of Oregon, Washington and Idaho, and parts of Montana and Wyoming. Through conquest and the payment of \$18,250,000 to Mexico we obtained the present States of California, Nevada, Utah, the Territory of Arizona—except below the Gila river—and parts of New Mexico, Colorado and Wyoming. For the region south of the Gila we paid \$10,000,000 to Mexico. For Alaska we paid \$7,200,000 to Russia. The gold alone which we got from Alaska in 1904, not counting the coal, fish, fur, blubber or other things, amounted to over \$10,000,000. In its products Alaska has paid for itself thirty-five times over since we bought it.

The Eyeball and Vision.

Dr. Alexander Schaefer has been investigating the vision of many animal species and has found that the eye of the sparrow is the principal factor of the acuteness of vision. The bovine species has the sharpest sight. The second place is occupied by man and the horse, which have nearly equal visual powers; the third by the sheep. Small, and especially small-eyed animals, whether mammals,

birds, amphibians or reptiles, have very poor sight. Owls are the only birds that possess great acuteness of vision. It has long been known that dogs have such indistinct vision that as a rule a dog is not able to recognize his master by sight alone.

Density of Population.

Although there is a certain area of about three and one-half acres on Manhattan island where the density of population is at the rate of 630,000 to the square mile, yet the city of Paris shows a far greater average density of population than New York, the figures for Paris being 79,300 square miles, and for New York city proper 40,000 a square mile. The average density of London population is 37,300 a square mile, and that of Berlin is 67,000.

German Savings Banks.

The savings banks of Germany have some 19,000,000 pass books out and their deposits amount to 13,500,000,000 marks (\$3,213,000,000). These deposits are practically all guaranteed by the various municipalities of the empire, and the condition forms a bulwark of confidence in the security of private wealth and earnings that cannot be shaken by hard times, panics, bank failures, etc.

Finger Alphabet.

The finger alphabet as distinguished from the real deaf and dumb language of signs, appears to have been invented in Spain, to which country the world owes the first systematic deaf and dumb teaching. Its inventor was either Juan Pablo Bonet or Pedro de Ponce.

The Sympathy of Friendship.

It is sublime to feel and say of another, I need never meet, or speak or write to him; we need not re-enforce ourselves or send tokens of remembrance; I rely on him as on myself; if he did thus or this, I know it was right.—Ralph Waldo Emerson.

Owls Under a Ban.

The usual crusade is going on against the harmless, necessary owl. The good he does in consuming endless voles, shrews, moles and mice is ignored or forgotten; the evil laid to his charge is exaggerated a hundred-fold.

For Lack of Better Reason.

It is likely that many a fellow who is scarcely able to take care of himself marries a girl on the theory that she will be able to help him to do so.

WANTED—A RIDER AGENT IN EACH TOWN and district to ride and exhibit making money fast. Write for full particulars and special offer of money. **NO MONEY REQUIRED** until you receive and approve of your bicycle. We ship to anyone, anywhere in the U. S. without cost and deliver in advance, freight, and allow **TEN DAYS' FREE TRIAL** during which time you may ride the bicycle and keep it as long as you wish. If you are then not perfectly satisfied or do not wish to keep the bicycle ship it back to us at our expense and you will not be out one cent. **FACTORY PRICES** We furnish the highest grade bicycles it is possible to make at one small profit above actual factory cost. You save \$20.00 to \$25.00 middlemen's profits by buying direct of us and have the manufacturer's guarantee behind your bicycle. **DO NOT BUY** a bicycle or a pair of tires from anyone at any price until you receive our catalogue and learn our unheard of factory prices and remarkable special offers to rider agents. **YOU WILL BE ASTONISHED** when you receive our beautiful catalogue and study our superb bicycles at the standard factory prices. We are satisfied with \$2.00 profit above factory cost. **BICYCLE DEALERS**, you can sell our bicycles under your own name plate at one small profit. Orders filled the day received. **SECOND HAND BICYCLES**, We do not regularly handle second hand bicycles, but usually have a number on hand taken in trade by our Chicago retail stores. These we clear out promptly at prices ranging from 60¢ to 80¢ or 90¢. Descriptive bargain lists mailed free. **COASTER-BRAKES**, single wheels, imported roller chains and pedals, parts, repairs and equipment of all kinds at half the usual retail prices.

850 HEDGECORN-PUNCTURE-PROOF \$4.80
SELF-HEALING TIRES A SAMPLE PAIR \$4.80
 The regular retail price of these tires is \$2.50 per pair, but to introduce us we sell you a sample pair for \$4.80 cash with order \$4.50. **NO MORE TROUBLE FROM PUNCTURES** NAILS, Tacks or Glass will not let the air out. Sixty thousand pairs sold last year. Over two hundred thousand pairs now in use. **DESCRIPTION:** Made in all sizes, 15 inch and easy riding, very durable and lined inside with a special quality of rubber, which never becomes porous and which closes up small punctures without allowing the air to escape. We have hundreds of letters from satisfied customers stating that their tires have only been pumped up once or twice in a whole season. They weigh no more than an ordinary tire, the puncture resisting qualities being given by several layers of thin, specially prepared fabric on the tread. The regular price of these tires is \$5.50 per pair, but for advertising purposes we are making a special factory price to the rider of only \$4.80 per pair. All orders shipped same day letter is received. We ship C. O. D. on approval. You do not pay a cent until you have examined and found them strictly as represented. We will allow a cash discount of 5 per cent (thereby making the price \$4.56 per pair) if you send **FULL CASH WITH ORDER** and enclose this advertisement. We will also send one nickel plated brass hand pump. Tires to be returned at OUR expense if for any reason they are not satisfactory on examination. We are perfectly reliable and money sent to us is as safe as in a bank. If you order a pair of these tires, you will find that they will ride easier, run faster, wear better, last longer and look finer than any tire you have ever used or seen at any price. We know that you will be as well pleased when you want a bicycle you will give us your order. **IF YOU NEED TIRES** don't buy any kind at any price until you send for a pair of the special introductory price quoted above; or write for our big Tire and Sundry Catalogue which describes and quotes all makes and kinds of tires at about half the usual prices. **DO NOT WAIT** but write us a postal today. **DO NOT THINK OF BUYING** a bicycle or a pair of tires from anyone until you know the new and wonderful offers we are making. It only costs a postal to learn everything. Write it NOW.

J. L. MEAD CYCLE COMPANY, CHICAGO, ILL.

The Perfect Corset for Large Women

It places over-developed women on the same basis as their slender sisters. It tapers off the bust, flattens the abdomen, and absolutely reduces the hips from 1 to 5 inches. Not a harness—not a cumbersome affair, no torturing straps, but the most scientific example of corsetry, boned in such a manner as to give the wearer absolute freedom of movement.

New W. B. Reduso No. 770. For large tall women. Made of white coutil. Hose supports front and sides. Sizes 20 to 36. Price \$3.00.
 New W. B. Reduso No. 771. Is the same as No. 770, but is made of light weight white batiste. Hose supports front and sides. Sizes 20 to 36. Price \$3.00.
 New W. B. Reduso No. 772. For large short women. The same as No. 770, except that the bust is somewhat lower all around. Made of white coutil. Hose supports front and sides. Sizes 20 to 36. Price \$3.00.
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Ask any dealer anywhere to show you the new W. B. "hip-sucking" model, which will produce the correct figure for prevailing modes, or any of our numerous styles which are made in such a variety as to guarantee perfect fit for every type of figure. From \$1.00 to \$3.00 per pair. WENGARTEN BROS., Mfrs. 377-379 BROADWAY, NEW YORK



Remove the dandruff if you want fine lustrous hair. Give your hair a chance to thrive by using

ED. PINAUD'S
 (Eau de Quinine)
HAIR TONIC

Beautiful women in the world of fashion keep their hair healthy and beautiful by regular use of this peerless French preparation.

Try it for yourself—simply send us 10c. (to pay postage and packing) and we will send you enough for three applications—Write to-day.

PARFUMERIE ED. PINAUD
 ED. PINAUD BLDG. DEPT. 1113 FIFTH AV., NEW YORK

RARE WASHINGTON RELIC.

Only One Known to Exist of Six Medallions Made for Lafayette.

Mrs. F. Luis Mora of New York city, owns a Washington relic which, so far as is known, is the only one of its kind in existence. It is one of the six medallions which were made to order for General Lafayette.

Before Lafayette took leave of the officers of his staff, says the Circle, he had these medallions made in Paris, and presented them to the six officers immediately under him. The five others have disappeared and may have been destroyed. The one in Mrs. Mora's possession is made of cut glass bound by a heavy brim of solid gold, to which is attached a gold ring by which it may be suspended. Between the two layers of glass is a beautifully modelled head of Washington in plaster, silvered.

On the reverse is the inscription "Desprez, Rue des Recolets No. 2, a Paris Washington." Note the omission of the letter "h" in Washington. The medallion came into Mrs. Mora's possession through her great grandfather, Lewis Compton, to whom it was presented soon after the Revolutionary war.

Promoting Smallpox Infection.

From the fact that smallpox which is very prevalent in the Philippines at certain seasons disappears when the rains set in, it has been argued that the germs are carried in the air. An additional circumstance which has the same apparent significance is reported from London. Hospital ships, to which smallpox patients are transferred, are anchored in the Thames below the city. It has been noticed that new cases break out more frequently on the shore to which the wind blows than on the other side.

Woman Who Gambles.

Moralists say that the emotion of gaming makes women ugly. It is not necessary to take the word of the moralists for that. Gaming does not make women ugly, it unmasks them, and it is of that that they must be warned. It is natural enough, since they play passionately, and in playing they forget the world and their faces. So much the worse for those who do as Jezebel. Jean Lorrain has left terrible pictures of old painted faces, the natural condition of which is revealed by the excitement of play.

The Postage Stamp Province.

Manitoba, which has long been dubbed the "Postage Stamp Province," will soon be in a position to lose her nickname. According to Sir Wilfred Laurier's statement in the Dominion House of Commons, Manitoba, which has hitherto been hemmed in on every side and has, at least on the map, appeared to deserve the nickname she has borne, is at last to be allowed to expand and actually to reach the seaboard.

The Sense of Duty.

A sense of duty pursues us ever. It is omnipresent like the Deity. If we take to ourselves wings of the morning and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea, duty performed or duly violated, is still with us, for our happiness or our misery. If we say the darkness shall cover us in the darkness as in the light our obligations are with us yet.—Daniel Webster.

Paragon-Making Golf.

Golf cannot be played really well, unless the temper is schooled to such a degree that misfortune, accident and a general run of defensive play never lead to passion overflowing the limits of a decorous and restrained equanimity.

Natal's Mileage.

The total mileage operated by the Natal Government railways, the end of the year 1907 was 1,064 miles, of which 88% were worked on behalf of the Central South African Railway Administration under agreement.

On Intimate Terms.

Two Chicago girls, graduates of Smith College, are making money by keeping a boarding house for American girls in Florence, and are getting so familiar with the Italian city that they can almost call it Flossie.

Why Men Refuse to Teach.

The teacher may have a personality that commands respect in spite of his calling, but outside of his special work he is regarded by business men slightly, as an imprudent visionary.

Gasolene and Dust.

"I had to sell my auto, but I haven't missed it yet."
"How's that?"
"You can get most of the sensations by cleaning rugs."

Man's Delicacy.

A man who is rough and awkward at everything else will show a delicacy and skill greater than any woman when he has to patch a \$10 bill.

Speak of Aeronauts.

Aerial navigation is getting almost as easy as it is to pronounce.—Boston Globe.

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Figureheads for Autos.

In some parts of the civilized world the fetish or idol which disappeared long ago is coming back, in fact, has already returned to duty as a guardian, protector, mascot or whatever one may be pleased to call it. The new idol is in shape according to the fancy of the automobile owner, who places it on the front of the machine to prevent accidents and arrest. These figureheads are all grotesque in style, the most popular being the image of a police officer with watch in hand, a barking cur and a crowing rooster.

When Korea Led the World.

Few are aware that Korea preceded Europe in inventing three things which have had a vast influence upon the world. Printing with movable types originated in Korea in 1324, 128 years before the invention of the art in Europe. The two other inventions in which the Koreans seem to have anticipated Europe were the mortar and the ironclad, both used with considerable effect, during the Japanese Korean war of 1898-98.

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Gypsies and Animals.

The gypsies are nearer to the animals than any race known to us in Europe. They have the lawlessness and abandonment, the natural physical grace in form and gesture or animals; only a stealthy and something wary in their eyes makes them human.—Arthur Symons.

Pharaoh's Mummy.

Pharaoh's mummy has been discovered and unfolded, and the eyes of the readers of these pages can rest on the very features on which the eyes of Moses looked 3,000 years and more ago.

Youth the Time to Build Wisely.

Youth is the best time for the building of character and the forming of principle, and the future depends on the decisions and actions of the present.—Rev. G. Denton.

Showing Folly of Anger.

A wise man has well reminded us that in any controversy the instant we feel anger we have already ceased striving for the truth, and have begun striving for ourselves.—Carlyle.

Deaths Among Miners.

According to statistics quoted by Congressman Cooper, the fatalities in Pennsylvania's mines rose from 611 in 1898 to 1,514 in 1908.

Long, Weary Day.

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A Natural Inference.

"Pop," anxiously inquired the doctor's inquisitive little boy, "is a jumping toothache a muscular pain?" —Baltimore American.

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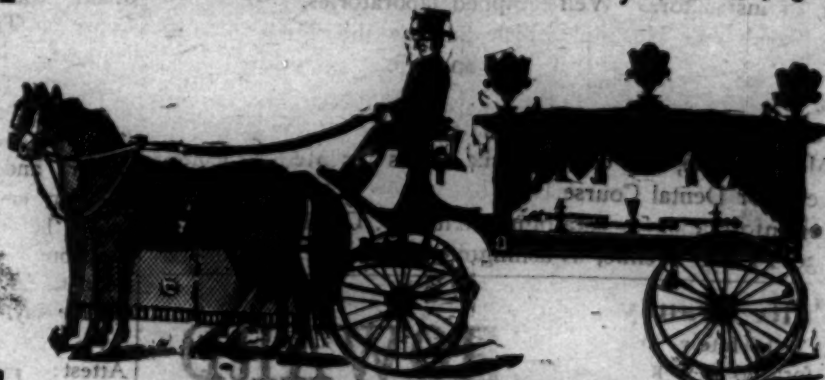
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No. 15353. Administration Docket.
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Application having been made herein for probate of the last will and testament of said deceased, and for letters of administration, with a copy of the will thereto annexed, on said estate, by Martha Gant, it is ordered this 16th day of July, A.D. 1908, that Henry Jackson, Robert Jackson and James Jackson, and all others concerned, appear in said Court on Tuesday, the 18th day of August, A.D. 1908, to show cause why such application should not be granted. Let notice hereof be published in the "Washington Law Reporter" and "The Washington Bee" once in each of three successive weeks before the return day herein mentioned — the first publication to be not less than 30 days before said return day.

Wright, Justice.

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SUPREME COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

Holding Probate Court.

No. 14994.

In re Estate of Robert E. Walker, deceased.

The object of the petition filed in this cause is to sell the real estate owned by decedent for the payment of debts, the petition being filed by the administrator. On motion of the administrator, it is this 18th day of August, 1908, ordered that Eva Parham, Cora Parham, Amanda Parham, Oakley Parham, and Amelia Hardy, no resident heirs-at-law and next of kin of Robert E. Walker, deceased, cause their appearances to be entered herein on or before the fortieth day, exclusive of Sundays and legal holidays, occurring after the date of the first publication of this order; otherwise the cause will be proceeded with as in case of default. Provided, a copy of this order is published at least once a week for three successive weeks in the "Washington Law Reporter" and the "Washington Bee."

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No. 15437. Administration.

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